

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): EAGLE, Timothy Olof

Atty. Docket: 78104111-N18906

Title: SHIM

Priority From: PCT/GB2004/000204 filed 20 January 2004

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(37 CFR §1.98; MPEP 609)**

Mail Stop PCT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

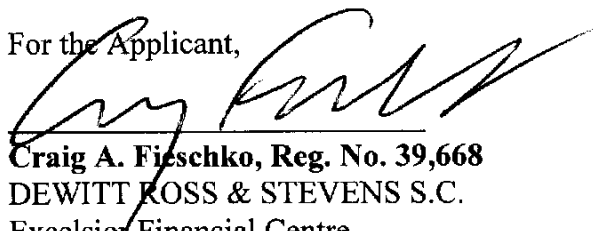
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

To the Commissioner:

The accompanying Form PTO-1449 is submitted in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56 for the above-referenced patent application. Since this application relies, under 35 USC §365, on the earlier filing date of the above-identified PCT international application, pursuant to MPEP 1893.03(g), the references cited in the International Search Report for that application should be present in the USPTO's files. *If these references are not present in USPTO files, please contact the undersigned attorney and copies will be promptly provided.*

If any questions regarding the application arise, please contact the undersigned attorney. Telephone calls related to this application are welcomed and encouraged. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments relating to this application to deposit account number 18-2055.

For the Applicant,



Craig A. Fieschko, Reg. No. 39,668

DEWITT ROSS & STEVENS S.C.

Excelsior Financial Centre

8000 Excelsior Drive, Suite 401

Madison, Wisconsin 53717-1914

Telephone: (608) 828-0722

Facsimile: (608) 831-2106

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>		<i>Complete if Known</i>			
		Application Number			
		Filing Date	Herewith		
		First Named Inventor	EAGLE, Timothy Olof		
		Group Art Unit			
		Examiner Name			
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	78104111-N18906

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Exam. Initials	Cite No.	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant	Publication Date (MM-YYYY)
		Number	Kind Code (if known)		
		5,624,724	A	RELLY, et al.	04-1997
		5,953,862	A	EARHART, et al.	09-1999
		6,159,575	A	RATHSACK, et al.	12-2000

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Exam. Initials	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant	Publication Date (MM-YYYY)	Trans.
		Office	Number	Kind Code (if known)			
		EP	0,719,953	A	RATHSACK, W.	07-1996	
		EP	0,844,344	A	KNUDSEN, K.	05-1998	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--